

2008-2009 Schedule of Committee on Accreditation Meetings

June 18, 2008

Overview

Staff has prepared some options for a calendar of COA meetings for the 2008-09 fiscal/school year. With the exception of the October and January meetings, all other meetings will be two day meetings. The August and October 2008 meetings were already selected by the COA at the January 2008 meeting. The August meeting will be held Tuesday and Wednesday, August 5-6, 2008. The October meeting will be held Friday, October 10, 2008. Staff has included calendar options for meeting dates on Wednesday and Thursday as well as Tuesday and Wednesday dates. Staff is prepared to discuss the proposed calendar and provide a rationale for the dates proposed.

The proposed schedule has been designed to avoid conflicts with the following annual educational conferences:

Western States Certification Conference (WSCC): January 11-14, 2009

American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education (AACTE): February 6-9, 2009

American Educational Research Association (AERA): April 13-17, 2009

Credential Counselors and Analyst of California (CCAC): October 13-16, 2009

California Council on Teacher Education (CCTE): March 26-28, 2009 and October 15-17, 2009

The Commission sets its calendar on a calendar year basis while currently the COA sets its calendar on a fiscal/school year basis. The proposed schedule of Commission meetings can be found below and staff will provide an oral update on action taken by the Commission at the June 2008 meeting.

Staff Recommendation

Staff recommends that the Committee on Accreditation adopt a schedule of meeting dates for the remainder of the school year 2008- 2009.

Background

The Committee on Accreditation annually adopts its schedule of meetings. In general, the Committee has found that Thursday has been the best day to meet and, when it is necessary to have a two-day meeting, a second day has typically been scheduled for Friday. In the past the proposed meetings have been scheduled on the third Thursday of the month. Based on COA feedback, staff has changed the options to include either Tuesday and Wednesday two day meetings or Wednesday and Thursday two day meetings to avoid travel on Friday.

Proposed Commission Meeting Schedule for 2009

January 29-30	Thursday-Friday
March 5	Thursday
April 23-24	Thursday-Friday
June 4	Thursday
August 6	Thursday
October 1-2	Thursday-Friday
November 5	Thursday
December 9-10	Wednesday-Thursday

COA Proposed Schedule for 2009

COA Meeting Month	Length of meeting (Accreditation Reports)	Option A	Option B	Option C
August 2008	2 days	Tuesday-Wednesday, August 5-6		
October 2008	1 day	Friday, October 10		
January 2009	1 day meeting	22 TH	21 W	15 TH
April 2009	2 day meeting (CLU, Patten, Simpson, Mills)	29-30 W-TH	8-9 W-TH	28-29 T-W
May 2009	1day meeting (WGU, SDCOE, NDdN, FCOE, Westmont)	21 TH	14 TH	13 W
June 2009	2 day meeting (CSUEB, CSUSB, SDUSD, CSUCI, HTH, LACOE)	17-18 W-TH	16-17 T-W	24-25 W-TH